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Please reply to:
Gordon Urban
815 Middle St.,
North Braddock,
Penna.

December 27, 1950

Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Ave.,
Hollywood, Calif.

Dear Mr. Scully:

After reading you book "Flying Saucers", and others articles pretaining to the flying saucers, there is no doubt that they exist, are interplanetary, etc.

I, as an amateur astronomer, know the possibility of such beings existing. I have argued the issue pro and con with friends, in high school classes, and at home. I firmly believe in your accounts and contacts with scientists and people who have encountered them.

So here is why I am writing...
I am asking you Mr. Scully...can you possibily provide me with some proof, such as a photograph, showing one of these saucers on the ground or a piece of the material that composes this ship...anything to further prove my statements when I argue or talk about anything pretaining to the flying saucers.

I've been called nuts for thinking about such things by many people, including my parents, and why... because the air force says they don't exist...so they say.

I have a fairly good understanding of astronomy and the use of a telescope and there are many others like me. And also many others who would believe in flying saucers if they saw more than a book or an article.

Can you please help me out?

Yours in Flying Saucers,

Gordon Urban

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535 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York
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December 28, 1950

Mr. Gee
c/o Frank Scully
2071 Grace Avenue
Hollywood, California

Dear Mr. Gee:

In a determined effort to obtain some serious and unsensational comment on the subject, the editors of Pageant magazine are conducting a symposium under the tentative title: FLYING SAUCERS, TRUE OR FALSE?

Irresponsible talk has permeated the atmosphere, but we feel that the hoax or phenomenon, whatever the case may be, deserves to be labeled by accountable sources.

Therefore, we have asked a number of interested and noted persons to take part in our symposium by commenting in a few words, based on their knowledge or experience, on the question: Flying Saucers, True or False.

If you should care to be included in the feature in Pageant, will you send on to me as soon as you can about 200 or 250 words (or more or less, if you wish) which would be your contribution to this pursuit of the truth?

Thank you so much for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Jerome Beatty Jr

Jerome Beatty, Jr.
Associate Editor

JBj/al

ARCH U. AVERA
ENGINEER
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
December 29, 1950

P. O. Box 245
Chamblee, Georgia

Mr. Frank Scully,
c/o Henry Holt & Company, Publishers
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Scully:

I note on page 114 of your extremely interesting and informative book "Behind the Flying Saucers" a reference to CO_2 plane propulsion power developed by Lee Bowman. Can you forward me Mr. Bowman's address in enclosed stamped and addressed envelope? This will be appreciated.

The story you tell as to governmental "lunk-headedness" reminds me of numerous similar personal experiences extending back to the period of construction of Wilson Dam on the Tennessee River (1920-1924). It is fundamental, apparently, that if there is any way to do a thing wrongly, that way is always first attempted by our bureaucracies.

Sincerely yours,

A. U. Avera

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Adoption of the word tenescope was adopted.

Magnetron as a layman used the word because its part of their magnetonic devices and it is not a defining term of the geophysical equipment but was used by me as a layman because I was refused by the scientists to use any defining terms that would identify to the

February 28, 1951

Mr. Frank A. Cocilovo,
299 Poxten Street,
Patterson 3, N.J.

Dear Mr. Cocilovo,

First, collect your ten dollars from your friends who bet that you wouldn't get an answer from me. It may not be a satisfactory answer, but at least it will be an answer. Second, take $2.75 of the ten dollars and buy a copy of "Behind The Flying Saucers" for them. It can be got at most book stores, or directly from Henry Holt & Company, 257 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y. Then take the rest of the money and shake it in their faces every time they express a doubt as to the existence of flying saucers or Frank Scully.

Every effort to prove that a cock and bull story so far has failed and the Pentagonians have pulled out every person who would stooge for them to effect its destruction. It was not written to fill the empty space of newspapers. Newspapers are awfully tight on space these days. It was written to fill the empty heads of those above a B.S.

Don't you kid yourself that all the astronomers and radar men have never reported such objects. Plenty of them have and to me as well as others.

That a saucer can be confused now and then with an imitation of our origin cannot be denied, but frequently both one of our products and one of unknown origin have been caught in the air at the same time and this is what is known as a controlled experiment. In fact, the day after Dr. Urner Liddel released his nonsense in LOOK, two air force captains reported that while they were tracing a weather balloon over Alamogordo, a flying saucer encircled their balloon. Liddel's great secret was a matter of public record for at least two years.

As to Dr. G. and Silas M. Newton, they are not in a sanatarium, unless it could be argued that we are all at present in a booby hatch. Newton and Dr. G. both are in private enterprise and doing defense projects as well.

All the best to you.

Faithfully,

FS:HT

Frank Scully

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First National Bank,
Wilkes-Barre,Penna.,
Feb. 19,1951.

Public Relations Officer,
Project Saucer,
Air Materiel Command,U.S.A.F.,
Wright Field,
Dayton,Ohio.

Dear Sir;

Press and radio are once again playing up "flying saucers" as a result of the latest Look magazine's so-called official explanation of the phenomena,the existence of which has so often and so consistently been denied by the Air Force. One morning newscast claimed that the Air Force has received to date 20,000 requests for information concerning saucers. One more won't hurt!

You may find the enclosed diagram of interest. I assure you that it is original in concept,although obviously influenced by Frank Scully's book,TRUE magazine,Frank Edwards,MBS,as well as newspaper clippings,radio reports,etc. Also I admit the diagram to be amateurish in execution.

However,is it merely accident that my chart,accurate as to its planetary positions,seems to show a definite relation between the cycle of Venus's 19 month synodical year and press reports of saucer sightings?

Haven't by far the majority of the more reliable sightings occurred at periods when Earth has by our standards been more readily accessible to space travel from Venus----i.e.,when both Earth and Venus are on the same side of the sun,as per diagram?

Can you state bluntly and unequivocably that the subject matter of the enclosed chart has no bearing upon the facts uncovered by "Project Saucer"?

And,finally,would the Air Force object to possible publication of the enclosed diagram?

The courtesy of an early reply will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

(Frank B. Innes)

December 29, 1950

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The photograph comes from Germany.

The U. F. O. crewman came from an Unidentified Flying Object that crashed near Mexico City.

Study of the crewmen was made in Germany.

Write your Congressman for Public Hearings on Unidentified Flying Objects.

3 January 1951

Mr. Frank Scully
c/o Henry Holt & Company
257 Fourth Avenue
New York City 10, New York

Dear Sir,

I have read your book Behind the Flying Saucers with great interest. Although I am a layman as far as electricity and magnetism are concerned, I find very plausible the theory that a new motive power can be effected on the basis of the breaking of magnetic lines of force. I do not know whether there are space ships coming from other planets, but I am sure of the fact that man is still in the infancy stage as regards the utilization of the tremendous forces which exist in the universe. There is no doubt that if the universe is held in balance, it is due to the action and counter-action of forces which act from galaxy to galaxy, from solar system to solar system, inside each solar system, and inside matter itself. This force (although we do not know its essence), we may call magnetism. When intelligently used magnetism may surely produce results such as combustion or propulsion.

Now I would appreciate it very much if you would submit to one of your friends who is an expert on magnetism a very simple problem which came to my mind in reading your book:

a) It appears from the information given by you on the flying saucers that observers have been unable to discover whether they were equipped with a motor, engine, or wiring of any kind. There must, however, exist a mechanism which permits the use of magnetic energy. I cannot reconcile myself to believe that scientists and experts have not been able to discover any kind of mechanism.

b) It is said on page 138 of your book that "the fact that the saucer whirls is only for the purpose of balance...". This I cannot readily admit: Any object revolving by itself at a sufficient speed must necessarily move upward, forward, sideways or backwards, namely, in any kind of direction

unless it is absolutely flat. Since flying saucers have so far been seen moving in our atmosphere only and they are not flat, their whirling motion must cause them to move and rise if only by the friction they exert on the air. Once they are outside our atmosphere, I do not know what would cause their motion. But, for the time being, it seems reasonable that we limit ourselves to understand what we observe in our atmosphere.

c) Now let us suppose that powerful magnetic waves are sent at close intervals around the circumference of the cabin of a flying saucer. Since a magnetic charge would be travelling around the circumference of the cabin, it would attract the rim which would consequently revolve. If it is true that a magnetic wave can travel at a speed of 282,000 miles per second, it is therefore theoretically possible that the rim could move at that same speed without prejudice, however, to the slowing down effect caused by the friction of the gear of the cabin against the gear of the rim. If it is feasible to control the speed and maybe the intensity of the magnetic wave, it would be possible consequently to control the speed of the rim and of the flying saucer itself.

d) The only question which remains to be solved is how to store in a flying saucer enough magnetic power to move it for a considerable period of time. This is a technical question I cannot solve because, as I have told you before, I am a layman in this field, but it does not appear to be too difficult to store magnetic power. From the little that I have learnt about magnetism, I know that magnetic power once it is concentrated in an object seems to maintain its strength at least for a considerable period of time without apparent loss of energy.

e) It is also quite possible to conceive thatmagnetic lines of force at large can be tapped, collected and used to cause the rim of the saucer to revolve. But since we might still be far behind technically to do this, would it not be feasible to make a laboratory experiment in using man-produced magnetic waves in order to check on whether or not we could produce a new kind of flying motive power.

I would appreciate very much your answer to these questions.

Very sincerely yours,

R Harpignies

R. Harpignies

P.S. You refer quite often to an instrument named "tenescope". I guess this instrument is capable of recording the disturbances caused

in the earth magnetic lines of force by flying objects. If my assumption is correct, then why are we still using radar?

If it is also correct that it is feasible to stop electrically ignited motors in disturbing the frequency of their magnetic waves, it seems possible to circle places to be protected by a series of stations emitting waves of a given frequency. You seem to imply that such a weapon exists already. Why then is it not publicized so as to reassure the population who live in anxiety of bombing attacks.

Mr. R. H. Harpignies
147-54 Village Road
Parkway Village, Jamaica 2
New York





2071 GRACE AVENUE
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Jan 6 1951

Dear Mr Korcsmaros:

Your wire chased me around the country and perhaps by now has lost its urgency. If so, I'm sorry.

If not, why not send it along and I'll get it to Mr Newton or Dr Gee for evaluation?

Any technical and operatio al data would be welcome, whether new or in confirmation of what we already have on file.

The subject is as hot as ever, if not hotter.

Pageant is planning a roundup and yours might fit in that admirably.

Best wishes for '51.

Sempre,

FRANK SCULLY

Gesa Korkcesmaros Jr
28 Andrews Ave
Campbell Ohio

from THE UPPER STORY of
FRANK SCULLY'S
BEDSIDE MANOR

99 Joralemon Street
Brooklyn 2, New York
January 7, 1951

Mr. Frank Scully
Henry Holt And Company, Inc.
257 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Scully:

Congratulations on your book,"Behind The Flying Saucers." Your efforts to bring to light the true facts to the people has placed us all in debt to you.

You have done a great deal to arouse the curiosity of the people regarding this very important subject; and it would be wise to write more books, giving more information while that curiosity lasts. There is no doubt that if the people were given more proof on the subject that their natural instincts for the unknown and new would turn their thoughts away from wars and petty grievances inspite of the efforts on the part of the little men to keep them war minded. Dr. Gee might furnish substantial proof if he would make his true identity known, and would undertake to lecture on his findings.

Because of my more than average interest on this subject I feel a little envious of both you and Dr. Gee. For I too would like to take an active part in your work. Perhaps you know of some organization which is doing research work in this field. If so, I would be more than grateful if you would give me the name and address so that I may contact them.

Thanking you for your courtesy, and looking forward to reading more of your books, I remain,

Sincerely Yours,

Betty-May Fessenden

(Miss) Betty-May Fessenden



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257 FOURTH AVE NYK:

=TECHNICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA REGARDING FLYING SAUCER RECEIVED FROM VERY TRUSTWORTHY SOURCE. PLEASE ADVISE. REPLY N.L. COLLECT:

=MR GESA KORCSMAROS JR 28 ANDREWS AVE CAMPBELL OHIO=..

Heath, Mass.
January 12, 1951.

Mr. Frank Scully,
2071 Grace Avenue,
Hollywood, Cal.

Dear Mr. Scully:

At the risk of overburdening your already overburdened mail, I must write you to thank you for the "Exclusive" by Miss Moreen Theresa. It was so good that we feel it should appear in the next edition of "Behind the Flying Saucers". As a small token of my appreciation to her for giving us all such a hearty laugh I promise to mail her one of my own books (properly inscribed) which is to appear this year. I suspect she will be a bit scornful of it, for it does not deal with such a weighty matter as interplanetary travel.

Thanks again for your friendly letter.

Sincerely,

Albert H. Baller

Albert H. Baller.

PS: Yes, by all means let's turn the Korean debacle over to Miss Moreen-- for that matter let's turn the handling of our whole foreign policy over to her. I'm sure it would help!

A. H. B.

January 12, 1951

Dear Mr. Scully:

Your book, Behind The Flying Saucers, was given to us as a present this last Christmas. I have just finished reading it. From the first few pages to the very last it has left me extremely frustrated! Why? Because it amply confirms what I have personally experienced. The visual evidence of the existance of spaceships. Yet, your book gives little information about how they work and where I can find scientific information on "why they do what they do."

Yes, I have had a similar experience to yours when I tried to consult government sources in March of 1949. They, in effect, officially replied, "Letter received. Contents noted. Carefully filed in the wastebasket." Needless to say, when a ship made 90 degree angle turns over our house one night this last December, I did not notify any government agency.

Your book is the only one I have found that discusses the subject rationally , or indeed at all. But I am sure that even you did not intend it to be a textbook as your Question and Answer on page 182 would imply. But, where then can I learn what is the modern concept of magnetic force; what is a tenescope; why the existance of the difference between magnetic declination and inclination. Where can I find the books or people who can answer these questions?

That, sire, is why your book frustrates me so. That flying saucers exist I <u>know</u>, but, the how, the why, and the where---that's what I must learn. And believe me, sir, if you ever see one with your own eyes you will gain a thirst for knowledge about it that nothing heretofore in your life has ever given you.

I, for one in many, am happy to congratulate you on your book Behind The Flying Saucers.

Sincerely yours,

Janet K. Bieker

2600 Driftwood,
St. Petersburg,
Florida

C O P Y

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER
Social Science Foundation
Denver 10, Colorado

January 15, 1951

Mrs. Ruth M. Freitag
Greer, Hope Farm
Dutchess County
New York

Dear Mrs. Freitag:

It is true that some months ago one of the professors, in an endeavor to bring home to his engineering students the importance of applying the critical scientific attitude to social phenomena as well as in the field of engineering, invited to address his engineering class a purported expert on flying saucers. This man was presumed to be a man of great technical skill whose identity it was necessary to keep anonymous. Having finished the lecture, the speaker departed at once without the professor telling the classthat a hoax had been perpetrated, so for awhile some of the students appeared to believe what they had heard. Due to the fact the affair got into the local press, a great deal of discussion was aroused over the question of saucers. The net result was that most people including, I fear, many of the students in the professor's class forgot the intent of the exercise, namely, to impress upon them the importance of guarding against gullibility in matters outside their own field. I do not know whether this information will be of any value to you, but it seems to be the story.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Ben M. Cherrington

Jan. 16, 1951.

Mr. Frank Scully,
Care PAGEANT,
535 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I read what you had to say about "Flying Saucers" and also your article in the February Pageant. Also read the article in Cosmopolitan by Bob Considine. However, I had made up my mind long before reading the last.

Your story simply does not "hold water!" I do not say you were out to make a fast or slow buck (though who isn't?) but I do not think your Dr. Gee is honest.

I do not question what you say about all the little men being dead (if there were such men it is highly probable they would be) but if they were dead how come that others had left the flying saucer and came running back to it and took off while the group of earth men were getting camera equipment? Also, if one saucer was entered because a window was broken, and on another the metal resisted all efforts to bore into it, how come the minute description of the insides and the dismantling of it and carrying it away, dead pixies and all?

And finally, the Air Material Command would NOT keep it a secret, for, if we were threatened by another planet, all earth differences would melt away and we would be united against a common foe. They would jump at the chance to divert Russia with this idea.

It is no feather in your cap that you could create a certain excitement among the hoi poloi. That is easy. One man in Los Angeles once put an ad in the paper saying "Last chance to send five dollars to box so-and-so". That's all it said and believe it or not he got quite a few five dollars out of it. He was cleverer. You do not clear anything up in your latest article and if your Dr. Gee is not fictitious and is half-a-man he will come forward. But he is NOT half-a-man.

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn Kupetz

R. D. #2
Southbridge, Mass.

Los Angeles Calif.
Jan. 18 1951

Mrs. F. Scully
257 Fourth Ave,
New York,10 N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Scully :

Thank you for your reply of January 4, 1951

A friend of mine has your book and I will soon have it, am looking forward with much pleasure to reading it.

Will you be so good as to tell me the name of the Scientist who has the suits worn by the little men ? I am so very anxious to know just what material it was, the thread is also a question as to just what it could be made from.

The thing dearest to my heart is naturally Cotton and if that is grown on another globe it would be interesting to know.

May be able to help your Book in the Cotton Organ of International acope, as I wrote for it from Washington D.C. for years.

We do need PEACE but am afraid of The Orientals.

Best personal wishes,

ARCH U. AVERA
ENGINEER
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

January 19, 1951

P. O. Box 245
Chamblee, Georgia

Mr. Frank Scully
Author "Behind the Flying Saucers"
c/o Henry Holt & Company, Publishers
257 Fourth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Scully:

Since I have had no reply to my letter dated December 29, 1950, copy of which is attached, am presuming that letter was lost. If you will forward me the address requested or will ask Mr. Bowman to get in touch with me it will be greatly appreciated and of possible value to all concerned.

It was interesting that you used the same quotation from Hamlet in your "Flying Saucer" flyleaf that I used to preface a comparison, in March 1950, of the objects described by Comdr. Robt. B. McLaughlin with my general study and sketch of space ship possibilities dated February 26, 1936. At that remote time no means for 100% conversion of heat from a low temperature source to power or for generation of Free Force was available. I have, in the past two years, solved both these problems and get small travel times between the earth and Mars or Venus in a practicable set of systems, i. e. 3.79 and 1.50 days maximum and minimum to Venus and 4.58 and 2.09 days to Mars, these times being based on acceleration at 32.2 ft./sec^2 for half the distance and like deceleration thence to destination. However, with present knowledge, there appears no possibility of voiding the law of inertia so as to permit right angle changes of direction at great speeds.

I enclose you another envelope which kindly use to supply requested information at your earliest convenience. This will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

A. U. Avera

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AUA/nk

January 24, 1951

Dear Mr. Avera,

I am terribly distressed that I haven't been able to locate Lee Bowman or his address for you. There are two Lee Bowmans, you know. One is a movie actor and both of them have been seen around the Lakeside Golf Course, but nobody has seen our Lee Bowman recently, and the last I heard he was in Huston, Texas. I wonder if it wouldn't be easier to locate him through the U. S. Patent office.

As for our quotation from "Hamlet", great minds travel down the same stream.

I don't quite understand how the law of inertia would prevent right angle changes of direction at great speed. Certainly not where a saucer is concerned. You can take a paper saucer and prove that to yourself. In fact, on television programs, I have pitched them right at the camera and while everybody ducked, the paper saucer took a 90 degree turn as easily as the flying saucers seemed to.

Harpers is bringing out a book by Gerald Heard on flying saucers that might interest you. Meanwhile, I will keep trying for Lee Bowman's address.

With all best wishes,

Faithfully yours,

January 27, 1951

P. O. Box 245
Chamblee, Georgia

U. S. Patent Office
Washington 25, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I wish to obtain the legal address, if possible, of

Mr. Lee Bowman

who possibly has entered applications for patents for a thermodynamic power cycle utilizing CO_2 as the operating fluid.

Mr. Bowman's friends in California indicate that he has not been there for some time and suggest you as a possible source for this information.

Very truly yours,

A.U.A.

A. U. Avera

AUA:nk

Stamped and addressed envelope for reply enclosed.

CC: Mr. Frank Scully

Above follows your suggestion. You may be interested in enclosed prints of my old drawing & curve sheet on Space Ships.

A. U. A.